86 onwards are as follows :—

Year	Quantity/ MT
1985-86	38,538
1986-87	40,228
1987-88	41,984
1988-89	51,363
1989-90	26,549

(b) As against an authorised quantity of 40,000 MTs decided for imports during 1990-91, a quantity of 31,700 MT has already been imported.

Setting up of an apex level holding body for export processing zones

1878. SHRI S. MADHAVAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Bombay Chambers of Commerce and Industry has requested the Central Government to set up an Apex Level Holding Body bringing various export processing zones under its umbrella ;

(b) whether it has also suggested generation of exports worth 3000 crores of rupees per annum in a period of five years ; and

(c) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) A proposal had earlier been considered for setting up a Central Statutory Authority for the Administration of Export Processing Zones in India and it was decided to drop the proposal. As regards generation of higher exports from the Export Processing Zones, Government has already initiated steps to revamp the scheme of EPZ with a view ot improve the incentives and to simplify the rules and procedures to further stimulate exports from these Zones.

Long term trade pact with the USSR

1879. SHRI JAGADISH JANI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal to establish long term trade pact with the USSR ;

(b) whether the areas have been identified for the purpose ; and

(c) if so, what are the major areas which are proposed to be covered under the pact ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN) : (a) to (c) Trade Agreement between India and the USSR providing for trading on the basis of payments in non-convertible Indian Rupees and on balancing basis stands extended for a further period of five years, namely, upto 31st December, 1995. It is accordingly proposed to conclude a long term trade plan with the USSR for the 1991-95. Preliminary negotiations for conclusion of this plan have already taken place. Some of the main items of export from India to the USSR that are proposed to be included in this Plan are Agricultural products, Minerals and Ores, Chemicals Products, Leather items, Textile items, Engineering goods etc., Similarly, the main items of import that are proposed to be covered include Machinery items, Crude oil and Petroleum products, Fertilizers, industrial raw materials like newsprint, asbestos, chemicals, Steel products, Non-ferrous Metals, etc. It is expected that the Long Term Trade Plan will be finalised by the last quarter of the current year.